

Mark B. Gault

August 4, 1997
DATE

- 1) Our respective residences and post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below, under our names.
- 2) We believe that we are the original, first and only inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought for the above-entitled invention.
- 3) We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims and any drawings attached thereto.

4) We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations 1.56(a).

5) Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119, we hereby claim foreign priority benefits based upon the below-identified foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate:

Country: N/A
Serial No.: N/A
Filed: N/A

6) Any corresponding foreign counterpart applications for patent or inventor's certificate which were filed prior to the above-identified priority application are listed below:

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Filed: N/A

7) We hereby appoint the following attorneys who may be reached at the below-identified address and telephone numbers, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith: John J. Wasatonic, Registration No. 29,984; Mark B. Quatt, Registration No. 30,484; Rupert B. Hurley, Jr., Registration No. 29,313; Thomas C. Lagaly, Registration No. 34,652; and David G. Burleson, Registration No. 38,090.

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8) All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

FULL NAME OF INVENTOR: Michael L. Becraft

INVENTOR'S SIGNATURE: Michael L. Becraft

DATE OF EXECUTION: July 18, 1997

CITIZENSHIP: U.S.A.

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FULL NAME OF INVENTOR: Nathanael R. Miranda

INVENTOR'S SIGNATURE: Nathanael R. Miranda

DATE OF EXECUTION: July 31, 1997

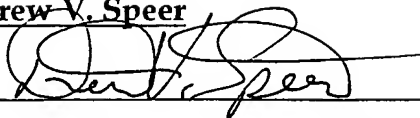
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July 18, 1997

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michael L. Becraft Docket No. 42826
 Nathanael R. Miranda
 Drew V. Speer
Serial No.: 08/857,276
Filing Date: May 16, 1997
Title: Amorphous Silica In Packaging Film

COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT

Box Assignment
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

1. The name of the party conveying the interest is:

Michael L. Becraft
Nathanael R. Miranda
Drew V. Speer

2. The name and address of the party receiving the interest is:

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3. The interest being conveyed, and/or the transaction being recorded, is:

**the assignment of all right, title, and interest to any patents directed to
AMORPHOUS SILICA IN PACKAGING FILM**

4. The application number against which the accompanying documents are to be recorded is:

United States Serial No.

5. The name and address of the party to whom correspondence concerning the request to record the documents should be mailed, is:

**Cryovac Division of W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn.
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6. The number of applications identified in the cover sheet is:

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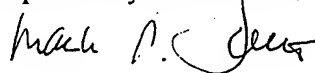
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7. The date the document was executed was:

July 18, 1997 and July 31, 1997

8. I hereby state that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained on this cover sheet is true and correct, and that the attached are the original documents.

Respectfully submitted,



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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS I, *Michael L. Becraft*, residing at, 10406 Popkins Court, Woodstock Maryland, 21163, together with *Nathanael R. Miranda*, residing at 540 Palmetto Street, Spartanburg, South Carolina, 29302; and *Drew V. Speer*, residing at 6229 Slender Sky, Columbia, Maryland, 21044, have jointly made an invention relating to compositions, articles and methods for scavenging by-products of an oxygen scavenging reaction, which invention is described in an application for Letters Patent of the United States entitled AMORPHOUS SILICA IN PACKAGING FILM, and signed on this day; and

WHEREAS W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut at 1114 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10036, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, *Michael L. Becraft, Nathanael R. Miranda*, and *Drew V. Speer*, by these presents do sell, assign, and transfer to W. R. GRACE & CO.-CONN., its successors and assigns the full, exclusive, and world-wide right to the said invention and the entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under any Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States, in the territorial possessions of the United States, and in any country foreign to the United States, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN., its successors and assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held by us or by either of us had this assignment and sale not been made.

And we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents of the United States and the Patent Office officials in countries foreign to the United States to issue said Letters Patent to said W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN., as the assigns of our entire right, title, and interest in, to, and under the same, and hereby further authorize said W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN. to apply for Letters Patent in our names or in its own name, as it in its sole discretion sees fit, utilizing any benefits which may exist under any International Arrangement, in any country foreign to the United States.

And we do hereby agree for ourselves and for heirs, executors, and administrators to execute any lawful document and to testify as to any material

fact or thing which W.R. GRACE & CO.-CONN., its successors and assigns may deem necessary in order to secure unto itself, its successors and assigns the full right, title, and interest in and to and the full enjoyment of said invention or any part therefor and the said Letters Patent or any of them, the same to be done without any further consideration.

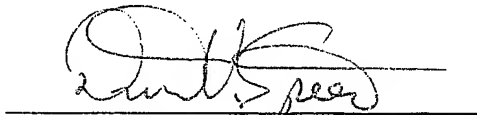
IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereby set my hand and affix my seal this
18 day of July, 1997.


MICHAEL L. BECRAFT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereby set my hand and affix my seal this
31st day of July, 1997.


NATHANAEL R. MIRANDA

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereby set my hand and affix my seal this
18 day of July, 1997.


DREW V. SPEER